# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
# LOK SABHA

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LAWS FOR APPOINTMENT OF OFFICE BEARERS IN EPC
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

(a) the details of various bye-laws that have been approved by the Government for Basic Chemicals, Pharmaceuticals and Cosmetics Export Promotion Council for appointment of office bearers;

(b) whether some office bearers of this Council are facing trials for illegal imports and exports worth crores of rupees in violations under DRI Act and articles of bye-laws of the Council;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken to remove such office bearers of doubtful integrity?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a) : Model Articles/bye-laws circulated by the Department of Commerce, have been adopted by Basic Chemicals Pharmaceuticals and cosmetics Export Promotion council (CHEMEXCIL). The Articles/bye-laws on appointment of office bearers are as under:-

Para 4.2 :- `A candidate for election to any position in the council must satisfy the following conditions, namely;

(a) He, or the entity represented by him, must have, to his or its credit, during the one financial year immediately preceding, exports of the products of not less than the amount of Rs. 25 Lakhs for Small Scale Industries and Rs.1 Crore for others.

(b) Where a person is standing for election as Chairman or Vice-Chairman or Regional Chairman etc, he, or entity represented by him, must have, to his or its credit, during the one financial year immediately preceding, exports of the product, of not less than Rupees 2 crores.

Para 27.1 :- `The Chairman shall hold office for a period of two years and :-

(a) Shall retire accordingly; and

(b) Shall not be eligible for re-election (at the immediately) at the next election.

Para 27.2 :-

(a) `There shall be one Vice-Chairman who shall be elected by the Committee for a term of two years.

(b) On completion of his term of two years, Vice-Chairman shall be endorsed by the Committee to succeed the Chairman unless he is unwilling to accept Chairmanship or he has incurred any of the disqualifications enumerated in Article 8.1 regard to membership of the Council.

(b) : No, Sir.

(c) & d): Does not arise.